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SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Is there any reason why the work cannot be entrusted to the Government Press?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : The Government Press has a lot of work. There is also an idea of expanding it. As we are not able to get the machinery from outside, it is not able to do the work. But within two years we expect to get the machinery and then the Government Press will be able to do the work.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Government examine the whole question and see if private presses could not be entrusted with this work at the district level?

THE HON. SRIMATHI LOURDHAMMAL SIMON : That is exactly what the Government are considering. The Government are considering the basis on which this should be done. This was the request made at the conference last year and it will be considered. The Government will see how best arrangements can be made.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

II.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS:

(1) COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES.

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I move—

3-10 p.m. " That, with reference to rule 154 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect nine members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1958-59."

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is—

" That, with reference to rule 154 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect nine members to be members of the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1958-59."

The motion was put and carried.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform the House that, in accordance with Regulation 2 (1) framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix the following programme for election of nine members to the Committee of Privileges for the financial year 1958-59 :—

Time and date for the receipt of nominations	**4 p.m. on 7th March 1958.**
Time and date for the scrutiny of nominations.	**11 a.m. on 8th March 1958.**

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Time and date for the withdrawal of nominations.	4 p.m. on 8th March 1958.
Poll, if any	Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on 17th March 1958.

Nomination forms can be had from the Secretary to the Council.

(2) HOUSE COMMITTEE.

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I move—

"That, with reference to rule 171 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect six Members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1958–59".

MR. CHAIRMAN : The question is—

"That, with reference to rule 171 of the Madras Council Rules, this Council do proceed on a date to be fixed by the Hon. Chairman to elect six Members to be members of the House Committee for the financial year 1958–59".

The motion was put and carried.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I have to inform the House that, in accordance with Regulation 2 (1) framed for the holding of elections according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, I fix the following programme for election of six members to the House Committee for the financial year 1958–59 :—

Time and date for the receipt of nominations.	5 p.m. on 7th March 1958.
Time and date for the scrutiny of nominations.	12 noon on 8th March 1958.
Time and date for the withdrawal of nominations.	5 p.m. on 8th March 1958.
Poll, if any	Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on 18th March 1958.

Nomination forms can be had from the Secretary to the Council.

III.—GOVERNMENT BUSINESS.

DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1958–59—*cont.*

MR. CHAIRMAN : We will now continue the discussion on the Budget. I have to inform hon. Members that twenty minutes will be allotted to each speaker. Sri A. Gajapathy Nayagar will now speak.

* SRI A. GAJAPATHY NAYAGAR : கனம் தலைவர் அவர்களே, 1958–59-ம் ஆண்டின் நிதி நிலை அறிக்கையையும் நடப்பு ஆண்டுக்கான திருத்தப்பட்ட மதிப்பீடுகளையும் கனம் நிதி அமைச்சர் இச்சபை முன் சமர்ப்பித்திருக்கிறார். அரசாங்கத்தின் நிதி நிலை சீர்பட்டிருக்கிறது என்று அவர் தமது உரையில் சொல்லியிருக்கிறார். இரண்டாவது ஐந்தாண்டுத்